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NEW YORK EGG PRODUCTION UP 10 PERCENT IN FEBRUARY

Egg production on New York farms totaled 98 million eggs in February, up 10 percent from last year, according to King Whetstone, Director of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New York Field Office.

The number of hens and pullets of laying age, at 4.31 million, increased 7 percent from February 2010 and the rate of lay was 2,275 eggs per 100 layers, up 3 percent from last year.

United States egg production totaled 7.01 billion during February 2011, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.03 billion table eggs, and 974 million hatching eggs, of which 908 million were broiler-type and 66 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2011 averaged 339 million, down slightly from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,065 eggs, up 1 percent from February 2010.

Egg-type chicks hatched during February 2011 totaled 37.3 million, down 7 percent from February 2010. Eggs in incubators totaled 40.0 million on March 1, 2011, up 3 percent from a year ago. The information in this release is available by free email subscription by subscribing to New York reports at www.nass.usda.gov/ny.

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